TURF FANS AWAIT BOWIE OPENING—GRIFFS FIRST DIVISION CONTENDERS

Griff's Club Rounding Into First Division Contenders

By GEORGE L. MORELAND.

Miami, Fla., March 28.-Clark Griffith's "pennant hopes" turned their strides northward today, for a week of barnstorming through will be inaugurated on Thursday.

the Carolinas with the Cincinnati Reds. When off with a thirteen-day meeting of what

the club arrives in the Capital next Saturday they This will be the start of what should be in shape to give the Washington fans a promises to be one of the greatest treat. In the five games with the Cincinnati Club, many years. The three Maryland the Nationals have played by far the best baseball. Indeed, Griffith's hired men look more like sum of \$433,0000 to horsemen, \$100,world champions than the tribe from Rhineland.
The Bowle meeting will be fol-

The Old Fox is well satisfied with the club, lowed by those at Havre de Grace and although he refuses to predict anything, he is and Pimileo. frank in stating that when he gets the right combination into working order he will make many of the prospective flag-winners hustle for honors.

Nationals' New Catcher

RYCARLO TORRES.

The Cuban Stars catcher, who

was recently signed by the Old Fox

to help Gharrity and Picinich over

some of the rough spots this sea-

World's Champions

Prove Costly to

Just one month ago the National rookies boarded the rattler for the south. Griff's proposition, at that time, loomed up as big as a "White Elephant," but during the thirty days of drilling he has un-

covered younggters that may fill the bill in rounding out a first division club for the Capital City fans.

Infield Problem. The problem of the infield was the biggest question which the Old Fox was called upon to solve. Griffith believes that this part of his troubles is settled. From the form and speed that Stanley Harris is showing at the second sack, and Jimmy O'Neil at short, Griff will not be compelled to look any further for material, providing this pair can keep up their won-derful stick-work. They are hitting the pitching served up by the Cincinnati twirlers for a fare-thee-well, but it remains to be seen if they will be as successful against the twisters which they will be compelled to face under the Ban B. Johnson tent.

The pitching problem, which also looked anything but bright, is also righting itself. Shaw and Johnson are sure to be in the pink of form when the gong sounds in Boston on April 14. The poor showing the smoke-ball king made last Friday against the Moran-men was only an off-day, as Barney is in bet-ter shape right now than he has been during any recent spring drill. Expect Big Season.

The big fellow is not the kind to boast of his ability but he stated the other day that he intended to work his head off to make this the best season of his career. With Brickson as the third veteran for the mound, the Old Fox has only to carve out two twirlers from his long string of youngsters to make up one of the best staffs in the

It is a hard matter right now to pick the best looking ones from the crowd as the work of Zachary, Courtney, Carlson and Schacht has been of high order. Whether these youngsters can startd up under the bombardment of the willows handed out by the American League always said that a team that was clubs remains to be seen, but the Foxy Pilot is confident that this the race all season was a much betquartet will come through with flying colors. Should these youngsters could boast of one of the best pitch- It looks as if Garry were right. ing staffs in either league.

With the catching department now intact, and the outfield like one of those "queen's taste" dishes, the club as a whole rounds out now voluntarily gave every member of like pennant contenders, although the team an increase in salary for the so termed experts who are hitting the various camps down here in Dixie are picking six clubs to be players returned their contracts in front of the Nationals when the unsigned, demanding even larger final curtain is run down.

Someone is in to be fooled. The Nationals as they now line up are a great deal better than four clubs which I could name. Although it is a foregone conclusion with many writers that the Cleveland Indians will romp in with the bunting, and that New York, Chicago, an expensive proposition. Detroit and St. Louis will be the contending runners-up. I want to make a prediction here that the Nationals will be hot-footing right in among this five next September. And best of all, they will be sticking somewhere close to the leading clubs with a first division berth clinched, although it may not be the first or second rung of the

Await Twin Bill,

The day of rest today after the long grind of the past week was a welcome one. Auto rides and a tag-dance tonight were the bill of fare.
The big double-header is to be

staged tomorrow. The Washington club will hook up with Robbie's Brooklyn Dodgers, while the Redlegs will try and pick on the New York Yankees. With Babe Ruth and Walter Johnson in action along with the world champions, the largest crowd of the barnstorming trip will no doubt watch the battles.

Prosident Griffith received word tonight that Ban B. Johnson will witness the games. All that is needed now to make the party a peace jub'lee is to have Miller Huggins send Carl Mays to the mound. After the battles the team will hop aboard the rattler for Charleston, S. C., where Tuesday's game will be played.

METROPOLOUS MEETS **BROWN ON THURSDAY**

Charlie Metropolous, the Greek er, who successfully defeated Joe Turner, has been signed by Manager Jack Garrison to meet Soldier Brown the Sixty-third Infantry in a finished match at the New Folly Theater Thursday night. Metropolous issued a defi after the

Turner match to take on any grap-pler that Manager Garrison could obtain. Soldier Brown, who was at the ringside, accepted the challenge, Brown is of a powerful physique and cut quite a figure in the army

wrestling circles while with the A. E. F. He was induced to take up boxing, but has proven a failure before the local fans in this line. He has been training at the mat game for the past month and is confident that he will redeem him- glove meet last night. self with the local sport followers by halting Metropolous' victorious

Denies Seeing Pictures.

Philadelphia, March 28 .- Maj. A Drexel "Tony" Biddle, the Philadelphia sportsman, refused to admit that he saw pictures of the Jess Willard-Jack Deripsey bout at the reception given to Georges Carpentier at the Commodore Hotel New York Thursday night.

Western and Tech baseball nines will meet this afternoon for a prac-

Turf Followers Ready for Bowie Track to Open

The Maryland racing season, for which Eastern followers of the sport have been waiting all winter, tracks which will conduct spring meetings will distribute a gross

Because of the rigorous winter and backward spring, which has re-tarded the training of thorough breds in the North and East, the Southern Maryland Agricultural Association has not closed any stakes at all, and the Harford Agricultural and Breeders' Association has closed only four of \$5,000 each. The Maryland Jockey Club, however, of fers the \$30,000 Preakness for 3year-olds and \$5,000 events that promise to be highly attractive in the Green Spring Valley Steeple-chase, the Maryland Oaks and the Pimico Spring Handicap, along with a couple of \$2,500 2-year-old specials that will bring to the post

ome smart youngsters.
The purses at Bowle and Havre de Grace will be generous. Bowle's overnight events will range in value from \$1,000 to \$1,500, and Havre de Grace from \$1,200 to \$2,-500. Nor will these early meetings be as badly off for first class rac ing material wherewith to fill these specials as was feared some three or four weeks ago. There has been little or no frost in the ground since the first of March and much useful work has been accomplished by trainers who have been working their charges over the Bowie, Pim-lico, Benning, Laurel and Havre de

To Divide Rich Stakes in Races At Hilltop Track

Baltimore, March 28 .- Forty-two thousand five hundred dollars worth of stakes—five in all—to be decided in the course of the Maryland Jockey Club's spring meeting at Pimlico track, May 1 to May 13, in-clusive—will close on April 1 with William P. Riggs, Pimlico's secre-tary and executive whose office is in room 250, Equitable Building,

Garry Herrmann These stakes, with the Pimlico Nursery, a sprint of four furlangs and a half for 3-year-olds Jacksonville, Fla., March 28 .lient features of fifteen days of Garry Herrmann, president of the racing at Maryland's oldest and world champion Cincinnati Reds, most picturesque course that will be marked by the distribution among horsemen of \$193,000. "up there fighting and keeping in

The stakes are the \$30,000 Preakness, a race of one mile and a furter investment than a club which long for a-year-old colts and fillies hold up then the Washington club had the pennant-winning habit." days after the running of the Kenthe Reds won the National League the \$5,000 Pimlico Spring handicap. pennant and the world series last and a sixteenth, to be run May 5; and Jack Woodworth, Eastern and year. They drew large crowds all the Green Spring Valley through the season, and Herrmann May 8; the \$2,500 Spring Juvenile, for 2-year-olds, four furlongs and a half, to be run May 12, and the with Rollie Birkheimer of Columthis season over 1919. Many of the be in May 15.

The gross value of these stakes increases. The total increase dewill be in the neighborhood of \$50 .manded by the club was \$72,000 000. No entrance fee will be charged in any, but starters in the Preakover what Herrmann had already ness, which is an added money race given the players. Under such cir-\$25,000, must pay \$500 cumstances winning league penstarters in three \$5,000 events must pay \$100 each, and starters in the nants and world series is rather Spring Juvenile mast pay \$50. The Pimlico Nursery will be the open-

for a place. The schedule:

Boston, at C. U.

Baltimore.

at Chevy Chase; April 13, Racquet

Tennis Club at Fifteenth and Park

May 1, Maryland State at Col-

played with four of the Virginia uni-

versites. The Amherst team should

be especally strong this year be-

cause of the fact that all of last

showing up well. As is usual, how-

ever, ineligibility has proved a se-

vere handicap, claiming several good

The Southern schedule follows:

Richmond, Va.; April 2, Washington

April 1, Richmond College, at

Washington and Lee at Lexing-

ton, Va.; April 3, Virginia Military

Institute, at Lexington, Va.; April

of Virginia at Charlottesville, Va.

een years has any Columbus base-

Clymer's Club in Shape,

JAVELIN SEVERELY **ELEVEN GAMES ON** INJURES STANSBURY C. U. TENNIS LIST Morgantown, W. Va., March 28 .-

Director of Athletics Harry A. Stansbury had a most remarkable The following is the official schedule for the Catholic Univerescape from death here this aftersity tennis team, as prepared by noon on the West Virginia Univer-Manager "Cy" Long of that instisity athletic field when a javelin, tution. It is the most pretentious hurled more than 100 feet by a ever offered to the Red and Black member of the track squad, struck racqueters, and the candidates for him in the neck. The shaft pierced the team are on the courts daily, the neck on the right side and preparing for the stiff opposition. came out directly beneath the chin. Only the fact that the arrow point The Brooklanders are fortunate in the respect that they have last passed between the jugular year's squad intact in the persons and the carotid artery saved his of Bob Lynch, Bob McDonnil, Nick Fearful of extracting the javelin Cardenal and Geo. Magoun. Aside

on the field, Stansbury walked almost a quarter of a mile with the his neck. Dr. Aston Arkin, of the University of Medicine, removed the javelin. Stansbury was taken to a hospital, where his wound was dressed and it was stated that he would recover. He later walked to

THREE VETERANS ON YALE VARSITY CREW

New Haven, Conn., March 28 .-Coach Guy Nickalls, of the Yale rowing squads, who recently took personal charge of the oarsmen, has selected a tentative first varsity crew which includes three members of last year's varsity eight. The Yale crew has been chosen as fol- Amherst Nine Schedules

Stroke, Peters; No. 7, Ællis, No. Payson; No. 5, Benson; No. 4, Moulton; No. 3, Dennis; No. 2, Hord; bow. Mali.

EDDIE EAGEN WINS FROM PENN STAR

New Haven, Conn., March Eddie Eagen, captain of the Yale that several of the new men are boxing team, and the national amateur heavy-weight champion, won the decision over Heine Bourne, of Pennsylvania, in a three-round bout which featured the Yale-Penn dual Honors were divided by the two teams, each winning three bouts

JUNIOR LEAGUERS WILL HOLD MEETING

There will be a meeting of the unior Baseball League Friday night at 7:30 p. m. at the office of The Washington Herald. All teams Washington Herald. All teams de-siring to play league baseball are urged to have a representative pres-

N Street Stars Win.

ball club rounded to as quickly as The N Street Stars slaughtered have Bill Clymer's 1920 Senators, tice game, while Central High team the Trinity Midgets yesterday aft- who bid fair to be many laps ahead arrange a game with any fast team engages the fast Georgetown Prep ernoon, 30 to 2. The feature of the of several other clubs when the assayeraging 125 pounds, Address all nine, at 3:15 on the Hilltop dia- game was the home run made by sociation pennant chase opens April letters to Joseph A. Colliere, 211 K sociation pennant chase opens April letters to Joseph A. Colliere, 211 K 14, with Clymer's men at Louisville. street northeast. Wyncoop for the winners.

America's Olympic Team--By Homer Baker



District Roller Skaters to Race In Championship

Followers of the professional roller skating game around Columbus, Ohio, where the world's championship meet is to be held April 4 to 11, were pleased to note the for 3-year-olds and over, one mile entries of H. W. "Hoggie" Colston Southern champions, respectively. steeplechase, two miles, to be run Colston and Woodworth are both Washington boys and the wiseacres are granting the former along \$5,000 Pimlico Oaks, for 3-year-old bus an even chance of wresting the fillies, one mile and a sixteenth, to honors from Roland Cioni, the present world's champion.

In a recent match race in Columbus, Colston showed excellent form in easily defeating Charlie Wilson, also a top-notcher, and won himself a host of admirers and boosters for the title honors. Previous to this Colston closed a week's engagement in Connelsville, Ky. meeting all comers where he was returned an easy winner in all

DESCAMPS HANDS OUT

New York, March 28 .- The statement made by Francois Descamps Georges Carpentier, that he would sinda wintered at Bowie, is furdemand a winner's and loser's split ther advanced than the majority of the purse, calls attention to the that went through the battle at fact that this sporting way of do- New Orleans. My advice is stick ing things still holds in England this one in your hatband. and France.

England looking for action he must put up a side bet to back up any challenge he makes. This method of procedure prevents the public from being swindled by third raters posing as champions.

from this the freshman class has produced a wealth of material, one It also enables a stranger to get in particular being Young, whose present form shows that he will strikes these shores he is at liberty make some of last year's reguto make any claim he chooses no lars extend themselves to beat him may be. As a result the fans are ripe. April 10, Columbia Country Club ed statements of visiting boxers. oad; April 15, Titus University of

SAME OLD TY COBB; REPORTS LATE AGAIN

lege Park; May 4, George Washington at G. W.; May 8, Johns Hopkins at C. U.; May 13 Maryland State at C. U.; May 15, St. Johns (Annapolis) at C. U.; May 20, Loyola at C. U.; May 21, St. Johns at ola at C. U.; May 21, St. Johns at to attend to other matters and he ready played him. On the other lo Pardner, Clip, Assign, Allahand attentive little playmates.

Annapolis, and May 2, Loyola at was in no hurry to begin practice. hand have a care what you do and Col. Harrison also ran. Cobb has been doing this old with Donnaconna. That's the real stunt for many years. He is the big card and he knows that he can have his own way. Manager Jen-nings finds no fault with him, be-Six Games in Virginia cause that would be a waste of words. Amherst, Mass., March 28. - The Cobb always is in shape when he

cation. A series of games will be worth. Linworths, 9; Parks, 6.

Idnworth's Ab.H.Po.A Parks Ab.H.Po. son, lf. 4 2 3 1 Gill, cf. 4 2 1 0 Chishelm, 1b. . 3 9 3 year's varsity men are back and Hender'n, rf. 4 2 3 1 Gill, cf. Hender'n, rf. 4 1 2 0 Chisholm, Newton, c... 4 2 2 0 Flis, rf... Hollis, 1b... 4 011 3 Jarboe, p... Smith, p....3 1 1 2 Foggty, 2b. M'Carthy, 2b.3 1 2 7 Tunker, ss...3 0 0 2 Glascock, 3b.4 2 4 4 Morgan, c...3 2 2 0 Feary, ss...3 2 2 0 Adams, 3b...3 0 0 1 Omohundro,cf.4 4 2 Marks, 1f...3 1 3 3 M'Carthy

nd Lee. at Lexington, Va.; April Brrors—Foggty, Adams, Marks. Left bases—Linworth Midgets, 12; Park Juni 16. Stolen bases—Newton, Glasscock. I 5, Washington and Lee, at Lexing-ton, Va.; April 6 and 7, University Stolen bases—Newton, Glasscock. Double plays—Feary to Hollis. Sacrifice hits—Smith, Feary, Jarboe. Adams. Sacrifice files smith, Feary, Jarboe, Adams. Sacrifice files—Glascock, Gill, Marks. Two-base hits—Newton, Glascock. Three-base hits—Jarboe, Donaldson, Home runs—Marks. Morgan. Struck out by Smith, 5; Jarboe, 2. Base on balls off Smith, 0; Jarboe, 4. Hits off Jarboe, 15; Smith, 8. Wild pitches—Jarboe. Hit by pitched ball, by Smith, 1. Balks—Jarboe. Expects to Win Pennant Albany, Ga., March 28 .- Not in fit-

Terminals After Games. The Terminal A. C. would like to

OLLYER'S COMMENT SPORT of KINGS (All Rights Reserved by Collyer's News Bureau.)

That little old second hand had a busy day yesterday. All the boys were holding up the rails. From morning chow time until the beddings were will be handed to you between now and the Flanagan in action. McGrath thought opening but don't let any of the wise ones lead you that Flanagan was about the great-Drake's sleeper, as Ormonda is keyed up bered his "throwing the sledge- youth who later startled the world to the minute and what this old pickler will do at hammer" days and longed to be with the inaugural will set you right for the many hogkillings I will hand out while the ponies are in

Seeing is believing. Having seen and heard the ticks placed against some of these smart tricks, I am convinced that Bowie is my right spot, so

Ballad. - This is the clocker's diamond special. Now, I would to Forman's smart plater, but better judgment prevails. The only thing I care to add is, that unless plans miscarry, the ground will be LOT OF CHEAP TALK strewn with dead "geese" the day

e goes. Hop to it, boys. Betsinda-Out of the old pickle

Crystal Ford-Now, I'm not going to tell all I know about this one. Suffice to say that Andy Blakely has plans about completed for a genuine melon-cutting and let also won the five-mile open,

Murphy-He was given a special prep just before leaving New Ormatter how far from the truth it leans and as a result is cherry Stepped a half this morning around 50 seconds with the boy sit- (Wilson), even, 1 to 2; El Coronel, ting straight up in the saddle. 108 (Peterson), 8 to 5. Time-1:08 The whole world knows "Murf" likes the Bowie track.

advance dope of the big blue grass nim also ran. classic. Straight from the feed box comes the info. That Prince Pal gin), 7 to 2, 7 to 5, 7 to 10; Helen He sent word that he had and simple. So hedge if you've al- 5. Time-1:13 2-5. Betterton, Hel-

Rex Juniors Land.

The Rex Juniors baseball team opened the season with a victory over the Clover A. C. yesterday af-Amherst baseball team is to take a first puts_on. his uniform and then ternoon, 10 to 7, on the New Jersey Southern trip during the Easter va- he plays the game for all he is avenue diamond. The pitching of Lewis was easily the feature of the contest as he held the Southeast lads to hix hits. He also hit well, getting three hits out of four times at bat. Score by innings:

> Rex Juniors. 0 3 0 1 1 1 0 2 2-10 15 2 Clovers A. C.0 1 1 0 1 2 2 0 0-7 63 Batteries-Rex Juniors: Lewis Hook. Clovers: Heath and Umpire-Mr. O'Brien.

New Golfing Term Of Southern Caddie

New York, March 28.-Golf terms are used by dusky-hued caddies on Southern links, according to a golf devotee who has just returned here, when they "roll the bones" in "African golf." He gathered the following glossary while listening to the talk of a flock of negro caddles absorbed in craps during a dull hour: Par, seven or 'leven: Bogey, two, three or twelve. Stymie, four and ten. In the bunkers, five and nine; and easy putts, six and eight.

stick along and give the old High Cost of Living the haughty hah-hah. Here's a little advance on a few likely looking picklers: like to go into all details relative KRAMER STILL WINS

ON SAUCER TRACKS

Newark March 28 -Frank L Kramer started his twenty-first year as a professional bicycle rider vat old boy Fenwick intends to here today at the velodrome by the hustling, bustling manager of yank this baby very shortly. Bet- winning a one-mile class A invitation race from John Staehle, Arthur Spencer, Harry Kaiser, Fred Hill and Gus Lang, before 20,000 people, the largest crowd that ever turned out for a bicycle meet here Alfred Goullet and Jake Magin. winners of the recent six-day race. won the mile team match from Ed-

dié Madden and Oscar Egg. Goulthe medium of the plunge will be leading Willie Hanley. Jake Ma-Crystal Ford. He also has Tangift, Fred Hill and Frank Kramer where he has a fine lie and an easy of American golf in the British Crystal Ford. He also has Tangig, Fred Hill and Frank Kramer
talus stepping right along in mornin that order over the finishing line.

HAVANA RESULTS.

First Race-Donatello, 92 (Long). to 1, 5 to 2, 6 to 5; Shasta, 109 1-5. Bacarat, Lillian G., Willie Kentucky Derby-Here's a little Golden Red, Jack Dawson and Noy-Second Race-Pierrot, 111 (Man-

Third Race-Dainty Lady, 104 (Lux), 3 to 2. even, 1 to 2; Pre-

mium, 104 (Chiavetta), 6 to 5, 3 to 5: Hocnir, 109 (Wilson), 2 to 1. Time-1:13 3-5. Jill, Phedoden, Sister Susie and Ed Garrison also ran. Fourth Race-The Cuban Derby; purse \$10,000: Herron, 108 (H Carner), even, 1 to 4, 1 to Wrack, 127 (Pickens), to 5, 1 to 5; Mile. Dazie, 107 (Murray), 1 to 4. Time-Orleans Girl, Mighty Lever, Horace Lerch and Black Prince also

on), 5 to 2, 4 to 5, out; Cromwell, 139 (Mountain), 2 to 5, out; Tufter, 105 (Finley), out. Time-1:48 1-5. The Trump and Hubbub also ran. Sixth Race-Guidepost, 98 (Long) to 1, 8 to 5, 4 to 5; Railbird, 113 (Lux), 4 to 1, 2 to 1; Leoma, 103 (Jarrell), 7 to 10. Time-1:42. Stilletto, Frank Keogh, Lackrose, Dick Benson, Encore, Gilder and Whip-

Fifth Race-Miss Patty, 99 (Wil-

poorwill also ran.

Seventh Race—Hush, 89 (Long), to 1, 3 to 1, 8 to 5; Baby Cal, 106 (Chiavetta), 8 to 5, 4 to 5; Snow Queen, 103 (Mangan), 6 to 5. Time 1-5. Bagdadine, Prince Easy, Zoie, Marty Lou, Chillum, Tokalon March and Woodthrush also

Miami Wants Games.

The Miami Athletic Club would like to hear from any team in or of the 1920 campaign. around the District who are desiring practice games. Address all the north and south amater communications to Manager H. Kid- an end to the winter book. well, 2207 Nichols avenue south-

Grand Old Man of Athletics Sure to Make Olympic Team

sails with America's greatest athletic warriers to defend the Stars ting the shot. He carefully noted and Stripes against the world in the their actions and aspired to be the Antwerp Olympiad, Matt McGrath, champion of them all. the grand old man of athletics, will in all probability be among them. If so, he will enoy the most singu-

Hall, New York, a member of the tackled. Of all the hammer throw-New York Athletic Club and a ers he competed against in the first

Born in Ireland.

Matt was born in Ireland and the first thing that he can remember was his bringing up on a farm in Tipperary. His mother taught him National Championship in the 16-that he must take good care of his pound hammer throwing event and body and to strive for its perfection continually.

the farm, ploughed the fields, rode horseback, played in football and hunting matches, threw the stone, hunted hares and rabbits. Every day, except on the Sabbath, he had to travel six miles afoot to and from school. Before he was 18 years old he was one of the fastest sprinters in Ireland. To this day Matt has lost none of his old-time Only last year Matt won a 100-yard dash, closed to policemen weighing more than 200 pounds, at Witzel's Grove. He defeated Pat McDonald, world's greatest shot-putter, and the time for the run was 12 3-5 seconds.

Saw Mitchell Win.

His first instinct to throw the nammer was when he saw big Jim Mitchell win the Irish championship, back in 1885. The hammer is those days had a wooden handle three feet six inches long with its iron head. Matt at once though of his father's eight-pound sledge hammer and proceeded to make 56-pound weight (unlimited run good use of it. He would hurl the sledge around the farm for hours. To test his ability, he arranged impromptu contests with every blacksmith he knew in his home vicinity. Burly blacksmiths were defeated 56-po with ease, and they looked in awe inches. at the performances of young Mc-Grath. In those hardy days of outfoundation for the tremendous 56-pound weight (for height) he trength that is serving him so well won the national championship in w in the seven-foot circle. McGrath came to America when

e was 19 years old, joined the police force and the Fastime Athletic Club. where he boxed, wrestled and ran to satisfy his passion for exercise.

Watched Stars Work.

A fiend took him to see a set of Travers Island and

mer against the famour world cham-Next summer, when the steamer plon. McGrath also got his first look at Martin Sheridan throwing the discus, and at Ralph Rose put-

He bought a 16-pound shot, discus,

16-pound hammer and 56-pound weight. Over-enthusiastically he lar distinction in the history of practised every day with each American athletics—it will be his weight, but the physical torture was practised third Olympic trip and he will be so great that he wisely disconthe oldest of the athletes, being tinued the use of the shot and discus. He soon found out, that to acquire Experts agree that McGrath has the tremendous whirling speed in een his best days, but the fact re- the restricted space of a seven-foot mains that he is the most scientific circle, the control of the body, the and one of the greatest weight poise, the equilibrium, and to learn throwers in the world today. Matt how to make the sublime effort on counted on to score heavily for the last turn without going out of Incle Sam in the weight events. balance is an art that requires just He stands six feet in his stocking a little more than brute strength feet, weighs 230 pounds and is good He frankly admits that learning to natured. He is a police lieutenant throw the hammer properly was n the regulation of traffic at City one of the hardest jobs he ever proud father of a fine-looking 17- few years, not one was generous year-old daughter, now studying enough to correct his form. He for a civil service position. ing half of his tremendous strength and corrected his form.

Wins Junior Champs.

In 1907 Matt entered the Junior won with ease, doing 161 feet, 2 inches. Experts picked Matt as He did numerous chores about the coming hammer tosser and he was induced to join the New York Athletic Club. Later McGrath displaced John Flanagan's record with a mighty throw of 173 feet, 11

In 1908 Matt competed for the United States team at the London Olympiad with a dislocated kneecap, and finished second. In 1911 boosted Flanagan's hammer mark from 184 feet to 187 feet, 4 inches, and established several new records. In 1912 he won the Olympic hammer throwing event at Stockholm, Sweden. McGrath holds the world's record.

World's Record. 16-pound hammer (Olympic rec-

ord, 179 feet, 6 inches, -pound weight (7 foot circle), 40 feet, 6% inches. pound weight (from 33 feet, 1 inch. -pound weight for height, (indoors), 16 feet, 3 inches.

and follow), 43 feet, 11/2 inches. Canadian Records.

16-pound hammer-182 feet nches. weight-40 feet 634 56-pound

He won the national championship with the 16-pound hammer in or life he unconsciously built the 1908, 1910, 1912 and 1918. With the 1907, 1909 and 1911; for distance he won in 1913, 1916 and 1918. Besides that, he has won numerous metropolitan championships. Matt McGrath, like all weight tossers, is a good eater and relishes everything. Eggs, beef, potatoes, beans, chicken and bread form the

biggest part of his diet. he got his first glimpse of John Olympic trip with pride and de-Matt looks forward to his nev light. Immediately after the games est man in the world. Matt remem- the aged blacksmiths who awed the

out on the turf throwing the ham- ing feats. Tales of a Wayside Tee GRANTLAND RICE

sleet and snow to the edge of when he defeated Jim Barnes in a April, where just beyond, there is he led a big field by twelve strokes a green carpet underfoot and a at blue canopy overhead.

So it is only a question now of note. a short while before we will be meeting our old friends, the acquaintances and boon companions ance. It isn't likely to of many springs and summers.

Old friends and boon companions such as the sand trap. How much like home it will seem to stand carried so many topnotchers of again in the sand with a quiver- merit, including the best of the ing niblick and a quivering soul while our opponent proudly ex- wind when he once gets under full

Old Friends

Deep down in his soul the average citizen likes opposition and trouble-and this is one reason why he likes golf.

Trouble is an old friend in this game. In addition to the bunker a keen test it happens to be. Woods, Bili Simmons, Col. Lillard, there is the "Heel Print" in the bunker, and the "Cuppy Lie" out in the open. There is "Out-of where that surpasses it. Bounds" to the right; "High Grass" Tyrus Raymond Cobb, Detroit's comes the into. That Prince Fai gin), 1 to 2, 1 to 5, 7 in front. And there is "Old Doc \$20,000 star, did not report at the won't make the Derby. Has prov-Atkins, 109 (Chiavetta), 7 to 5, 7 in front. And there is "Old Doc the appointed on himself to be a sprinter pure to 10; Delancey, 115 (Pickens), 2 to Splice," and "Professor Hook" and a dozen others-all constant and his mistake was three puts on the Not to forget "Lost Ball," of the most attentive of all the

> lot. These will all be encountered and "General Alibi."

> Starting the Season. Starting the season the golfer recalls the fact that there are

many things for him to remember He intends to keep his eye the ball; to keep from swaying the body; not to hurry his swing, and dozen other things. But one of the main devices he

should take up is to cultivate comfort and naturalness. doesn't feel natural is almost sure didates for 1920 unless Bob Gard-

to be wrong. Any time a rigidity assails the golfer he is doomed. There is no need in hurrying through, but the golfer who insists on fussing over each stroke or standing rigidly for several seconds before he swings, hasn't any more chance to play good golf than he would have to

drive a cannon ball with a feather, The Training Season. The two big championships at Pinehurst wind up the first stages

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So far Walter Hagen, the open

champion, has a fair margin on

Belleair he completed an achievement of more than passing

To lead such golfers as Barnes Diegel and Hutchinson by a dozen strokes is a wonderful performpassed in the course of the year so far as any one tournament is concerned. As a margin it is almost unprecedented where the field professional class. It is only fur-

The Best Round.

The best single round of the winter season belongs to Mike Brady. Those who have played the fine course at St. Augustine know that There isn't a better course in the

south, and very few courses any Any score in the low 70's there has always been considered fine golf. Only two have ever broken Yet Brady turned in a 65 over this St. Augustine stretch where

third green. The three main Florida championships were won by the old shortly, including "Colonel Bogey" guard-Hagen, Hutchinson and Brady. But Hagen had only one shot at the three affairs. Barnes has been a slow starter but he still

has his chance at Pinehurst. In a quiet way the leading amateurs have also been getting ready for a big campaign. Dave Herron took one jump at a

Texas tournament, but after 4 up. failed to win. Evans has taken a brief whirl at Aiken golf with Ouimet warming up at Pinehurst. And here Grip and stance in the main are and there Bobby Jones has put both merely a matter of comfort. away a few holes just to maintain That which feels natural is al- the proper touch. These four, at most sure to be right; that which present, look to be the main can-

> ner gets a chance to play more golf. In that event he can always be counted upon. (Copyright, 1920, New York Tribune, Inc.)

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